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7 # For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §16-17-207 TO

9 ALLOW ANY CITY TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF MUNICIPAL JUDGES

10 TO BE ELECTED TO THAT CITY_S MUNICIPAL COURT; AND FOR

11 OTHER PURPOSES."

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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated §16-17-207 is amended to read as

16 follows:

17 "16-17-207. Number of judges - Term - Time of selection of first

18 regular judge.

19 The municipal courts in and for cities subject to this subchapter,

20 including any city having a city manager form of government, shall be held by

21 the number of municipal judges that the governing body of each city deems

22 appropriate. The term of office for each municipal judge shall be four (4)

23 years and until his successor is elected and qualified as such. However, in

24 cities which are or which become subject to the provisions of this subchapter,

25 which have police courts, and which establish municipal courts hereunder, the

26 police judge shall act and serve as municipal judge until the next regular

27 general election at which city officials are elected, at which time a regular

28 municipal judge shall be elected. Further, in cities subject to this

29 subchapter or which become subject hereto and which have neither a police

30 court nor a municipal court, upon establishing a municipal court hereunder,

31 the city council or other governing body of such city shall select a municipal

32 judge to serve until the next regular general election."

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34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature

35 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code

1 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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3   SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

4 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

5 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without

6 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

7 act are declared to be severable.

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9   SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are

10 hereby repealed.

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